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In re Patent Application for:

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Serial No.: 10/596,693

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For: System and Methods for Automatic
Generation of Component Data

Examiner: Kidest BAHTA

Group Art Unit: 2123

Confirmation No.: 9541

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181

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Applicants received a NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53 (f) or (g), which was mailed on January 5, 2011. The Notice stated that the subject application had become abandoned for failure to respond to an Office Action mailed June 8, 2010. In response, applicants submit this petition in accordance with M.P.E.P. §711.03(c) § I.B, and petition the Director to withdraw the holding of abandonment based on Applicants submitting a proper reply within the statutory period.

In support of this Petition, Applicants state that a proper reply to the Office Action was submitted by Applicants on November 8, 2010. The facts upon which Applicants predicate this statement are set forth in detail in the attached "Declaration in Support of Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment" (Declaration). As set out in detail in the Declaration, Applicants submitted a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. This Notice of Appeal was submitted within the statutory period for reply to the Office Action, was proper as the claims in the application had been twice rejected, and constituted a proper reply to the Office Action.

In addition to the attached Declaration, the undersigned is also concurrently submitting a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time to submit an appeal brief, extending the time for submitting an appeal brief to April 8, 2011. Furthermore, Applicant's are submitting a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.

Due to Applicant's submitting a proper reply within the statutory period, it is requested that this petition be granted. As such, favorable response in regard to this petition is courteously awaited.

Although it is believed that no fees are due in conjunction with this Petition, if the Commissioner believes that any fees are necessary for the consideration and grant of this Petition, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge any such fees, including any fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17, to Deposit Account No. 50-4256.

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DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF
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I, the undersigned, state that:

1. This application was initially filed on January 30, 2007.
2. On June 8, 2010 an Office Action was mailed to the attorney's of record for this application, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months.
3. The claims rejected in the Office Action of June 8, 2010, had previously been rejected by the Office.
4. Subsequent to the mailing of the Office Action, responsibility for this application was transferred to the undersigned.
5. On November 8, 2010, a Power of Attorney, designating practitioners associated with the Customer No. 58377, was filed.
6. On November 8, 2010, a Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time, extending the statutory period for reply to November 8, 2010, was filed.
7. On November 8, 2010, a Notice of Appeal, appealing from the Office Action mailed June 8, 2010, was filed.

8. On November 8, 2010 the fee for the Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time and the Notice of Appeal was submitted.
9. Applicant's received an Electronic Acknowledgement Receipt, having EFS ID No. 8795151 showing the receipt of the items listed in points 4, 5, 6, and 7 by the Office.
10. On November 19, 2010, a Notice of Acceptance of Power of Attorney was mailed by the Office.
11. On January 5, 2011 a Notice of Abandonment was mailed by the Office.
12. The Notice of Abandonment stated that this application had become abandoned as "no reply had been received" by the Office.

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